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Subject:

FOIA on CFLs and LEDs (2013-006637)

Mr. Fowler-

I have been asked to respond to your recent FOIA request regarding TCLP testing of CFL lamps.

In your request, you provided a fragment of a news article on a recent study of CFLs, which I believe was published on the website of the electronics take-back coalition on January 16, 2013:

http://www.electronicstakeback.com/2013/01/16/new-research-shows-cfls-and-led-lightbulbs-have-higher-toxicity-and-resource-depletion-than-incandescent/

The study referenced in that article was published in the journal Environmental Science and Technology:

Potential Environmental Impacts from the Metals in Incandescent, Compact Fluorescent Lamp (CFL), and Light-Emitting Diode (LED) Bulbs

Seong-Rin Lim, † Daniel Kang, † Oladele A. Ogunseitan, †, § and Julie M. Schoenung*, I

Environmental Science and Technology, 2013, vol 47, pp 1040-1047

As this is a copyrighted publication, I cannot provide you with a copy of it. However, you may be able to obtain a copy of the article and the data generated in conducting the study at a university library or possibly the National Library of Medicine.

From your request, it appears that your interest is limited to this publication. However, if that is not the case, please provide me with a description of other information you are seeking. The more concise and focused such a request is, the better we are able to respond.

Thank you.

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